

# **TOWN OF LOS GATOS**

#### **ARTS COMMISSION**

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2009 4:00 P.M.

> 208 East Main Street Neighborhood Center Los Gatos, California

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- Failing to relinquish the podium when directed to do so; and
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#### 4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 4.1 Grant Evaluation Committee: (O'Neill)
  - a. Approve FY 2008/09 Community Grant Allocation Recommendation Chair O'Neill presented the Evaluation Committee's recommendation regarding grant funding for 2009. The Committee had budgetary suggestions for some agencies.

It was M/S/C (Wilcox/Charnaw) that the Grants be approved.

Discussion was held regarding grant funding and the 4 and 8% reduction. A motion was made to recommend status quo. If 8% reduction is required, the Commission would like to use MIP/Art funds to subsidize the cut to the 4% reduction level.

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- 4.2 Music in the Park (Hopkins/Knowles)
  - a. Status Report Regarding Future Oversight of Music in the Park
    Commissioner Hopkins indicated the Council voted to direct staff to negotiate an
    agreement with Los Gatos Music & Arts to assume responsibility of MIP. Staff
    indicated that the goal is to have a signed agreement with LGM&A by August.
  - b. Update Budget/Sponsorships
    MIP has lost 10 sponsors from last year. Commissioners were asked to sign up
    to attend/manage two concerts. Due to notice in paper regarding looking for
    opening acts, have received interest from 4 groups.
  - c. Sound Requirements; Informational Only
    Bids were mailed on March 3<sup>rd</sup> with a return date of March 20th.
- 4.3 Steering Committee (O'Neill)
  - a. Discuss Commission Retreat Questionnaire

    Discussion regarding the questionnaire. Changes were noted.
- 4.4 Status Report Regarding Art In the Council Chambers (Bradbury)
  Reception will be held on March 12<sup>th</sup> for the new show. Next show will be Seniors Art Workshop.

#### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner training to be scheduled for March or April.

### 6. LIAISON REPORTS (Networking the Arts)

(Three minute time limit per report)

Chair O'Neill indicated Touch My Heart raised approximately \$30,000.

#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to Wednesday, April 8, 2009.